



# NEW HEART BEAT DEVOTIONS

*"Your name does not have to be Good to be good."*

## Be Good

About 30 years ago, a friend was telling me about what happened to him on a business trip. The PA Turnpike back then did not have the EZ-Pass, where you zoom through and pay later. You could only pay a toll person with something that most people do not carry any more, cash. Well, my friend traveled from Harrisburg, on the PA Turnpike, to the Jersey Turnpike. When he got to the toll both, he realized that he did not have his wallet. He explained to the toll taker, his problem. They would not let him through. In fact, he would of been stuck on the turnpike for the rest of his life unless he had came up with the cash. He pulled over to the little Turnpike office and went inside to use their phone. (Remember, it was the Stone Age with no cell phones.) He called the customer that he was going to see, an explained the situation. The customer came, paid the toll, his lunch and gave him money, after the visit, for the return trip home. How embarrassed my friend was, but he greatly appreciated the kindness and understanding of his customer. Oh, by the way, his customer name was B (Bill) Good.

A few years back, a Specialist suggested that I get a procedure to improve my sinus issues. I wrestled over the surgery on my nose for over a month. Then one Sunday, this person said hello to me at church. It was the Specialist. I did not know that he went to the same church as me. I was at peace about it them. Oh, by the way, his name was Dr. Good.

There was a rabbi, who came to my home town of York, PA in 1941. "He founded Boy Scout Troop 37. It was a multi-cultural mixed race troop, the first troop in the U.S. to have scouts earn Catholic, Jewish and Protestant awards... In that same year, he applied to become a Navy chaplain but was turned down. The following year he was accepted into the Army as a chaplain... In January 1943, he and three other chaplains embarked on board the Dorchester, which was transporting over 900 soldiers to the United Kingdom. On the way there, the German submarine U-223 spotted the convoy on the move and closed in on the ships, firing a torpedo which struck the Dorchester shortly after midnight. Hundreds of men packed the decks of the rapidly sinking ship and scrambled for the lifeboats. Several of the lifeboats had been damaged and the four chaplains began to organize frightened soldiers. They distributed life jackets from a locker; when the supply of life jackets ran out, each of the chaplains gave his to other soldiers. When the last lifeboats were away, the chaplains prayed with those unable to escape the sinking ship. Twenty-seven minutes after the torpedo struck, the Dorchester disappeared below the waves with 672 men still aboard. The last anyone saw of the four chaplains, they were standing on the deck, arms linked and praying together." Oh, his name was Alexander Goode. Reference [Wikipedia Alexander D. Goode](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexander_D._Goode)

Good appears in the Bible 768 times. Everything that God created was good, except it was not good that man should be alone. In Romans 8:28, it states "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." Also. "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." Rom 12:21 In Luke 10:25-37, there is the story of the Good Samaritan which the Lord used to teach us that our actions are greater than our position or beliefs.



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*Be Good  
Do Good.*



BE THE REASON  
PEOPLE BELIEVE  
GOD IS GOOD  
IN THE WORLD.

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